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Dear Examiner Brown:

In response to the Office Action Summary mailed January 22, 2007, we enclose the following:

- 1) Amendment Transmittal with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated February 29, 2008 - (2 pages); and
- Arnendment C with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated February 29, 2008 - (7 pages).

Very respectfully,

Ronald E. Smith

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Obesity Treatment Aid

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is a response for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is an independent inventor.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

(37 C.F.R. I.8 (a))

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FEE FOR CLAIMS

The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below: 4.

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AMENDMENT C

Introductory Comments

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 22, 2008, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire March 22, 2008, the above-identified application is amended a third time as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.